Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 15 Oct 2022 until 23:59 on Sunday 16 Oct 2022

Forecast Issued on Friday 14 Oct 2022 at 13:57 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a cold changeable weekend and into Monday then a drier spell next week. Lower for timing of rain, summit snow and wind strengths later Sunday and early Monday.

Headline for Saturday 15 Oct 2022: Mostly cloudy with showers, snow on the upper slopes, and a few bright or sunny intervals. Strong cold south to southwest wind.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 15 Oct 2022

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** Low Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Heavy Rain	Sleet	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Heavy rain showers	Sleet	Sleet
Precipitation probability							
10%	70%	80%	40%	20%	40%	40%	70%

Forecast for Saturday 15 Oct 2022

Weather: Heavy rain and summit snow spreading from west in early hours. This breaking to more occasional showers around dawn with a few sunny intervals possible especially over the north and east of the area. Showers becoming heavier and more frequent from mid afternoon, snow down to 900-1000m at times, perhaps some lightning. Further showers in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% - best chance around the middle of the day in north and east.

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud: A spell of widespread cloud at 500-800m in early hours. Cloud a little more broken after daybreak rising to about 900m, perhaps well broken for a time in the north and east but falling again in showers especially from mid afternoon. Visibility outside cloud: Occasionally poor in showers but a spell of better visibility around the middle of the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	29/36 S	32/41 SE	24/33 S	27/36 SW	29/39 SW	24/31 S	19/24 S	16/21 S	13/19 SW
900	28/35 S	29/38 SE	23/31 S	26/35 SW	28/38 SW	22/30 S	17/23 S	14/20 S	12/18 SW
600	17/26 S	20/29 SE	17/25 S	18/26 SW	21/31 SW	16/23 S	12/17 S	10/15 S	8/14 SW
300	3/21 SE	6/28 SE	5/21 S	5/23 SW	9/28 SW	5/20 S	3/16 SE	2/13 S	3/12 SW
Glen	9/22 SE	13/31 SE	10/22 S	9/21 S	12/24 SW	9/19 S	7/16 SE	5/12 S	5/12 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	0/-7	-0/-9	-1/-8	-0/-8	1/-7	1/-6	1/-5	1/-5	1/-4
900	1/-6	0/-7	0/-7	1/-6	2/-6	2/-5	1/-4	1/-4	1/-3
600	3/-2	3/-3	2/-3	3/-2	4/-2	4/-1	3/-0	3/0	3/0
300	4/3	5/3	4/2	5/3	7/4	7/5	5/4	5/4	5/4
Glen	7/5	8/4	7/4	8/5	10/7	9/7	8/6	8/7	8/6
Freezing Level*	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1100m	1200m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note the very low feels like temperatures.

Forecast for Sunday 16 Oct 2022
Weather: Frequent showers overnight, snow above 900m, but becoming more scattered during the morning with a much brighter afternoon to follow, some sunshine. This sun fading as high cloud increasing towards evening, thickening and lowering to bring rain from late evening.

Maximum wind: Westerly 40 gusts 60mph at first easing 25mph by midday then backing southeast and strengthening in the evening up to 35 gusts 55mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% at first then 80% for the afternoon falling 60% from mid evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud occasionally 600-900m at first but breaking and lifting during the morning. Some cloud to 900m late evening. Visibility away from cloud: Occasionally poor in early showers and late evening rain, but mainly good by day.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 rising to Plus 12 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 3 rising to Plus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1100m.

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